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Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

'Resolve, Directing the State Bureau of Identification To Determine How To Establish an Animal Abuser Registry'

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the title and before the summary and inserting the following:

'Sec. 1 Review to determine how to implement an animal abuser registry.

Resolved: That the Department of Public Safety, State Bureau of Identification and the Department of Administrative and Financial Services, Office of Information Technology shall, using existing criminal history record information, determine how to coordinate and implement an animal abuser registry accessible to the public that includes at a minimum the names and any aliases of the animal abusers; the dates of birth of the animal abusers; the offenses for which the animal abusers were convicted; and the dates and places of conviction; and be it further

Sec. 2 Report and recommendations. Resolved: That the Department of Public Safety, State Bureau of Identification and the Department of Administrative and Financial Services, Office of Information Technology shall jointly report recommendations for implementation of the animal abuser registry under section 1 to the Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety by February 15, 2012. Upon receiving the recommendations, the committee may report out a bill to the Second Regular Session of the 125th Legislature to implement the recommendations.'

SUMMARY

This amendment replaces the bill with a resolve and is the minority report of the committee. The amendment directs the Department of Public Safety, State Bureau of Identification and the Department of Administrative and Financial Services, Office of Information Technology to determine, using existing criminal history record information, how to coordinate and implement an animal abuser registry accessible to the public that includes at a minimum the names and any aliases of the animal abusers; the dates of birth of the animal abusers; the offenses for which the animal abusers were convicted; and the dates and places of conviction. Recommendations regarding implementation must be made to the Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety by February 15, 2012. The committee may report out a bill to implement the recommendations.